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Application of: C. Chen et al.

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Entitled: METHODS OF PATTERNING PROTEIN
AND CELL ADHESIVITY

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

~~Please cancel without prejudice claims 7, 8, 11, 12, 14-16, 20-23, 26, 28-31, 34-36, 39-40, 43-45, and 48-63.~~

3. (amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the surfactant compound comprises one or more hydrophobic regions and one or more hydrophilic regions.

4. (amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the surfactant compound comprises one or more hetero atoms.

5. (amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the surfactant compound comprises one or more alkoxy groups.

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